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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Marc ALIZON et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1648
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Application No. 09/041,975	)	Examiner: Jeffrey S. Parkin
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RCE Filed: April 8, 2003	)	Confirmation No: 4167
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For: VARIANT OF LAV VIRUSES	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE**

Applicants file this response in reply to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2004.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper, beginning on page 2

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14.